





**THE HICKMAN COURIER.**  
HICKMAN, KY.,  
FRIDAY, : : : MAY 27, 1864.

LATEST WAR NEWS.

Nothing Reliable—No Battles—All Expectancy—Peace Hints.

There is absolutely nothing reliable in the war news, from the fact that the government allows nothing officially to be given out. All reports of battles this week proved to be false.

The newspapers have no positive news, and the latest report about the Spanish fleet, that it is reasonably certain that they are in Santiago de Cuba harbor, and that the American fleet has them hemmed in so they must sooner or later fight or surrender.

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of the first called have been mustered into service, preparing to go for the invasion of Cuba, Porto Rico, and the Philippines.

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Many knowings ones are beginning to predict a long war, lasting from one to several years, and give many reasons to support this prediction.

They think it the manifest policy of Spain to wage a decisive war, that is to avoid any general engagements by land or sea, but for the reason that she is not able to fight the United States in any decisive battle, and for the further reason that if she can protract the war for one year, or two years, the great powers will tire of the intercession of general commerce, and take steps to bring about peace.

And then on the American side, the approach of the yellow fever season in Cuba, the danger from this cause of landing great bodies of soldiers there, and the almost certainty of passing transports

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Ben Keys Again.

The Popular, in Convention at Princeton, nominated Ben C. Keys for Congress in this District. The platform is strict. Middle of the Road. Keys has been the People's list nominee several times, and is a well informed and courteous Populist issue and contentious.

Lord Woolsey's Hint.

Lord Woolsey, the commander in chief of the English army and navy, expresses his open sympathy for the United States in the war with Spain, and also that the American soldiers have no superiors in the world; but adds that the United States is likely in not long to be the superior in naval power. Public opinion in this country has evidently tried to give up the idea of the Spanish fleet, but it is reasonable to suppose that they are in Santiago de Cuba harbor, and that the American fleet has them hemmed in so they must sooner or later fight or surrender.

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Miracles In War.

An over anxious and impatient public is apt to expect something like miracles in war. The green victory of Dewey, without due crediting that great commander, has given the impression that he is, might set out again in a few days.

But, it has looked like a miracle to all our Southern towns and cities, would be very much in favor of not erasing over our soldiers to occupy Cuba until late this fall. To be sure, if Sampson and Schley shall meet and destroy the Spanish fleet as Dewey did at Manila, then the war would end quickly, but otherwise it promises to us probably for one year at least.

SNAKES in the Philippines grow as big as telegraph poles. Ugh! If any Kentucky editor has joined the army, he is drilling under a snake.

The prices commission case will be argued before the court of appeals June 1st.

The Republicans of Tennessee will nominate a State ticket at Nashville, August 1st.

The heavy expenditures for war material, part of million in circulation, will introduce an era of prosperity.

We don't want Cuba, nor Porto Rico, nor the Philippines, nor have we any use for Hawaii, only as war necessities.

They take a cheerful view in Madrid of the failure of Sampson to keep Cervera out of Cuba.

A cheering view is now believed the Americans had in order to avoid a reverse.

GEM LUG has carried out the sentimental idea of having Gen. Grant, Gen. Sherman, Andrew Johnson, on his staff. He is now a Pitzburgh Lee, will also be one of his staff officers.

The Kentucky Bank Association will hold its annual meeting at Hopkinsville on June 15 and continuing several days. The Bank of the U.S. will meet on June 16 and 17. Over 400 delegates will attend.

OUR Kentucky volunteers are kicking because they have nothing to do. They are not wanted, even. Semantics say a corps who keep longer when charged with any kind of grab, and this diet was prepared to stop our boys can be shipped home after the battle is over.

This is from the Louisville Dispatch: "Boys, if you want to get into the army, or for other places where the services of men are needed, stop wasting your nerve forces, especially on deadly cigarettes. There is no better way over this question of Cuban war than to know what would happen."

This revenue bill being discussed by Congress provides for increasing three per cent, but the amount of \$100,000; an increase in the tax on beer of \$1 per barrel, and an increase in the tax on cigars of \$1 per thousand in the tax on cigars. It provides for the placing of stamp on bank checks and patent medicines.

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A WINE REGULATION.

It is rather hard upon the wine-drinker, but the order of the Secretary of the Navy forbidding the giving out of any news from the Navy Department, except such as he shall authorize to be published, is undoubtedly a wise one. There are some thoughtful persons who may say that the servants of the people should not be afraid to speak their minds, but in such cases as this, it would be well for each man to consider what he would immediately pass into the possession of the Spanish authorities if he did speak his mind. And while every man should be allowed to speak his mind, it would be well for each man to consider what he would prove harmful and what not, and that the general embargo should be maintained, and that he should be allowed to speak his mind, but not to give out all information that the public would be very much interested, still the wise decision would not need to be made until he had fully considered the dietary tastes which Spain is more than likely to adopt.

The Red Admiral Gherard, of the United States, has been sent to reside in Madrid, stating that in his judgment less than twelve months will be required to end the war.

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### LOCAL NEWS.

The wind blows, the water flows, The subscriber writes, And the mail comes in. We are in need of your dues: Please airmail to us.

This thing of ours:

Gives us the blues.

This is a most promising year for farmers.

—Farms, from be to be, a pair of fine cream and strawberry festivals are now in order.

—Fishing seems to be the attraction with many of the male population.

—Wee McDaniel's Bear, tall Bear Bigges.

—The thermometer will now take turns in the sun, and up and down.

—Miss Rose Lillard is preparing her daughter, Mrs. Jo Lillard, at Lukens, Ark.

—All the new and up-to-date drives started at Geyer's Fountain.

—The Palatine Fair Association will have runs in July and a four days' Fair in August.

— Bishop E. K. Hendrix will preside at the M. E. Conference at Paducah, Nov. 10.

—Tablets (ul-sol), 80c and 90c a yard, at the Market.

—David Turner, colored preacher, was here last evening, 2 miles from Union City, Sunday night.

—It is consistently asserted that during the Little League with Spain team, each player was under contract.

—Harc. son seen Shaw's, 5, 10, and 25¢ counters!

—It is safe to assert that there hasn't been such map studying among the people for a long time.

—There seems to be a great deal of baton patriotic this three days, judge by number of lamp decorations noted.

—For Paints, Oils, Varnishes and all kinds, go to SWAYNE'S Drug Store.

—"Thank you," and "If you please," are the words we hear most frequently in the machinery of life and make things run smoothly.

—George Robertson, President of Trust, will speak at Mr. Hermon next Sunday evening.

**MAGIC STOCK FOOD.**

It will benefit your horse, cow, hog, horse, dog, etc.

—Dr. Davis Brown.

—We bear in mind that the news of Cayce, was partially written with paroxysms over the last week. We hope now smooth.

—Harry Marion, the Joe Letter of the wheat market in this section, struck it rich last spring, having \$10,000 clear money.

—Sat McNamee, the best, sold only by W. F. Geyer.

—The wage revenue tax on patent medicines has been placed so high that no humanity can afford to be cured by more than two kinds of patent in one week.

—In a few weeks the new crop of wheat will be harvested, and if the prices remain where they are now, it will be the salvation of the land.

—Bring your old Furniture to Steppins & Smith for repairs. Expert work done with honest and prompt service.

—Paducah is to have a new paper to replace the "Daily Standard" and morning paper, to be published by John P. Thompson, Frank Thompson.

—A little son of Mr. H. P. Johnson, of Cayce, was run over by a wagon load of hay, and his leg was broken, receiving painful injuries. At last he got the limb well, now is improving rapidly.

—**MAIL BOXES AND FEED.**

A large quantity just now, with make heavy lay, and improve the health of your Holocene Drug Store.

—The fellow who goes to war with out a home, and brings one home again, will be a better man. He will be over the fellow who refused to go because he could not secure a commission.

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The Shreve Laundry will open on the Domestic Laundry or Glass Fac. Shiras, Price, C. C. Moore, Agent.

The Cuban girls are said to be very pretty, with eyes described as "rushing up and down." They are here to stay, and the golden rule.

The Fourth of July committee of the Men's Association shall have the proposed celebration. Upon the basis of the original subscription the extent of the entertainment will be determined.

—One barrel of round soap, \$10.00 per case, \$1.00 per dozen.

—A Paducah firm received an order from the government for 1,000 sets of Major uniforms. The men will be sent from Hickman, Fulton and Union City. The tables were turned, and the men were given their heads fully lighted.

—"Aunt Susan" Foster, aged and with a white hair, died Tuesday night, after a long, long illness. Her life and last illness were spent in the service of poor people, and she was well cared for by the Methodist church and other friends.

—The Rev. Mr. Zion church are to be entertained on the success of their supper Friday night last. They numbered about 150, and the amount raised from them will be sent to Hickmanville. Young men and women will be present.

—All the Postal Cards now used in the United States are made from Corrugated Cardboard, and are supplied by the Post Office Department, and its condition is a sad one.

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—A little son of Mr. H. P. Johnson, of Cayce, was run over by a wagon load of hay, and his leg was broken, receiving painful injuries. At last he got the limb well, now is improving rapidly.

—**MAIL BOXES AND FEED.**

A large quantity just now, with make heavy lay, and improve the health of your Holocene Drug Store.

—The fellow who goes to war with out a home, and brings one home again, will be a better man. He will be over the fellow who refused to go because he could not secure a commission.

### Commencement Exercises of Hickman College.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, 6:30.  
By Education and Music Classes.  
The exercises will be held in the Auditorium, Hickman, Ky.

Our Baby, Edwin Fugate.  
The Student in School, Annie Held.  
The Youngest Member, Mabel Fugate.  
Piano, Bushnell Spring, White King, Rosalie, Virginia Luton.

Napier Baby, Homer Greene.  
The Story of Seven Devils, Dave Madigan.

Vane, Vale Ardenque, Loch, Ivy Clinton.

Talbott: Homage to Poetry, Captain's Cupid.

The Student in School, Annie Held.  
The Youngest Member, Mabel Fugate.

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